



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS
2 NAVY ANNEX
WASHINGTON DC 20370-5100

TRG
Docket No: 352-00
12 May 2000

Dear [REDACTED]

This is in reference to your application for correction of your naval record pursuant to the provisions of title 10 of the United States Code section 1552.

A three-member panel of the Board for Correction of Naval Records, sitting in executive session, considered your application on 9 May 2000. Your allegations of error and injustice were reviewed in accordance with administrative regulations and procedures applicable to the proceedings of this Board. Documentary material considered by the Board consisted of your application, together with all material submitted in support thereof, your naval record and applicable statutes, regulations and policies.

After careful and conscientious consideration of the entire record, the Board found that the evidence submitted was insufficient to establish the existence of probable material error or injustice.

The Board found that you enlisted in the Navy on 12 April 1994 at age 19. On 16 September 1994 you were diagnosed as having a personality disorder with immature and dependent features. The psychiatrist concluded that you were at risk to harm yourself or others and recommended your separation from the Navy. Based on the psychiatric evaluation you were processed for an administrative separation. On 3 October 1994 the separation authority directed an entry level separation. You were so separated on 20 October 1994. At that time you were not recommended for reenlistment and were assigned an RE-4 reenlistment code.

You state in your application that since your service in the Navy you have received a college degree and are currently in a graduate program. You state, in effect, that you have matured, and desire to serve in the military.

Regulations allow for the assignment of an RE-4 reenlistment code when an individual is separated based on a diagnosed personality disorder and such a code is normally assigned when an individual is considered at risk to harm himself or others. Since you have

been treated no differently than others separated for that reason, the Board could not find an error or injustice in the assignment of the RE-4 reenlistment code.

Accordingly, your application has been denied. The names and votes of the members of the panel will be furnished upon request.

It is regretted that the circumstances of your case are such that favorable action cannot be taken. You are entitled to have the Board reconsider its decision upon submission of new and material evidence or other matter not previously considered by the Board. In this regard, it is important to keep in mind that a presumption of regularity attaches to all official records. Consequently, when applying for a correction of an official naval record, the burden is on the applicant to demonstrate the existence of probable material error or injustice.

Sincerely,

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Executive Director